

Appendix table 5-20.

TIMSS achievement means by subject and grade for selected countries: 1994–95

Grade and country	Mathematics	Science
Grade 4		
First in the World	591 (9.1)	611 (9.0)
United States.	545 (3.0)	565 (3.1)
International	529 (0.7)	524 (0.7)
Highest scoring country	Singapore 625 (5.3)	South Korea 597 (1.9)
Grade 8		
First in the World	587 (11.8)	584 (8.7)
United States.	500 (4.6)	534 (4.7)
International	513 (0.8)	516 (0.7)
Highest scoring country	Singapore 643 (4.9)	Singapore 607 (5.5)
Final Year (General Knowledge)		
First in the World	545 (3.5)	547 (3.9)
United States.	461 (3.2)	480 (3.3)
International	500 (1.3)	500 (1.3)
Highest scoring country	Netherlands 560 (4.7)	Sweden 559 (4.4)
Final Year (Advanced)		
First in the World	490 (4.4)	445 (3.3)
United States.	442 (5.9)	423 (3.3)
International	501 (1.8)	501 (1.8)
Highest scoring country	France 557 (3.9)	Norway 581 (6.5)

NOTE: Data from Third International Mathematics and Science Study (1994-95). The First in the World Consortium includes 20 Illinois elementary and secondary districts, composed of some 37,780 students. See <<http://www.ncrel.org/fitw/homepage.htm>> for a list of participating districts.

SOURCE: North Central Regional Educational Laboratory. Available from <<http://www.ncrel.org/>>. Accessed March 1999.